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REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

None of the prior art made of record teaches the claimed structure of two adhesive layers, one containing a suitable ferromagnetic component (i.e., metallic particles), laminated on top of one another, with the ferromagnetic containing layer attached to a suitable carrier layer. Tanuma et al discloses a ferromagnetic adhesive layer coated onto a suitable substrate, but gives absolutely no motivation to coat an additional non ferromagnetic layer on its opposing outer surface, nor does any of the remaining cited prior art supply this crucial motivational step without the clear application of hindsight.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Daniel Zirker whose telephone number is (703)308-0031.

The fax number for sending information is 703-305-7718 or 305-3601.

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